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REMARKS

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 121, election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits is required. The species listed in the Office Action are as follows:

1. A location for implantation of the stent selected from the following (claim 8):

1. the coronary vasculature,
2. the peripheral vascular system,
3. esophagus
4. trachea,
5. colon,
6. biliary tract,
7. urinary tract,
8. prostate
9. brain

2. A therapeutic agent selected from the following (claim 9):

1. an anti-thrombotic agent,
2. an anti-proliferative agent,
3. an anti-inflammatory agent,
4. an anti-migratory agent,
5. an agent affecting extracellular matrix production and organization,
6. an antineoplastic agent,
7. an anti-mitotic agent,
8. an anesthetic agent,
9. an anti-coagulant,
10. a vascular cell growth promoter,
11. a vascular cell growth inhibitor,
12. a cholesterol-lowering agent,
13. a vasodilating agent,
14. an agent that interferes with endogeneous vasoactive mechanisms

3. A range for the percentage increase for the amount of therapeutic agent with a corresponding time frame (claims 10-13).

Applicants hereby elect the following Species:

1. Coronary vasculature
2. Antiproliferative agent
3. Cumulative release of therapeutic agent increased by an amount ranging from 100% to 1000% after a period of administration of 1 week.

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Claims 1-14 and 16-18 of previously elected Group I read upon the previously and currently elected species.

Applicant notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.141.

The election is respectfully made with traverse, because it is believed that a search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden.

Should the Examiner be of the view that an interview would expedite consideration of the application, request is made that the Examiner telephone the Applicants' attorney at (703) 433-0510 in order that any outstanding issues be resolved.

The Office is authorized to charge any fees required, to deposit account number 50-1047.

Respectfully submitted,



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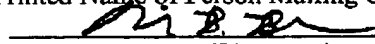
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